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U-2 PILOT FRANCIS POWERS FILES SUIT FOR DIVORCE

MILLEDGEVILLE, Ga., Aug. 15 (UPI) — Former U-2 pilot Francis Gary Powers filed suit for divorce from his wife, Barbara, yesterday, charging her with habitual drunkenness and cursing and abusing him.

The Central Intelligence Agency pilot who became the center of an international controversy when his airplane was downed in Russia on May 1, 1960, filed the petition seven months after he was released from a Soviet prison and reunited with his wife.

Powers charged that his wife was "guilty of habitual intoxication and on numerous occasions . . . cursed and abused" him without cause.

Powers said that he and his wife have been separated since May 27.